

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: Chairman Dan Villa, on January 23, 2009 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dan Villa, Chairman (D)
Sen. Debby Barrett, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Bill E. Glaser (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Cheryl Steenson (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Amy Carlson, OBPP
Shirley Chovanak, Committee Secretary
Nancy Hall, OBPP
Pam Joehler, Legislative Branch
Suzan Scott, OBPP

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: Agency Budget Overview and Budget
Hearing: Montana State University
Educational Units and Public
Service Research Agencies

Executive Action: None

00:00:01 Chairman Villa

Presentations by Campuses:

00:01:36 Sheila Stearns, Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE)

00:05:13 Geoff Gamble, President, Montana State University (MSU)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh16a01\)](#)

00:07:30 Joe Schaeffer, Acting Dean, Montana State University, College of Technology - Great Falls (MSU COT-GF)

00:28:15 Rolf Groseth, Interim Chancellor, MSU Northern (MSU-N)

[EXHIBIT\(jeh16a02\)](#)

00:44:58 Ron Sexton, Chancellor, MSU-Billings

01:03:43 Dave Dooley, Vice-President Academic Affairs, MSU-Billings

[EXHIBIT\(jeh16a03\)](#)

01:25:03 Mr. Gamble

Public Comment:

01:25:52 Maureen Weiland, Student, MSU-Bozeman

01:30:11 Darryl Rensmon, Chief Information Officer, Morrison-Maierle

01:34:06 John Beaudry, Stillwater Mining Company

01:36:15 Mike Pasque, Student Body Vice-President, MSU-Bozeman

01:38:29 John McDonnell, Student, MSU-Bozeman

01:40:21 Austin Owens, Student, MSU-Bozeman

01:42:15 Ivy English, Student, MSU-Bozeman

01:43:54 Heather Wilson, Student, MSU-Bozeman

01:45:07 Gianna Ranata, Student, MSU-Billings

01:46:28 Robert Barnosky, Student, MSU-Billings

01:47:54 Ashley Adams, Student, MSU-Billings

01:49:54 Mitch Jessen, Student Member, Board of Regents

01:51:53 Gayle Lambert, Administrator, Department of Corrections

01:53:15 Gary Mariegard, Former Student, MSU-Billings

[EXHIBIT\(jeh16a04\)](#)

01:56:12 Mark Mathison, Student President, MSU-Great Falls

01:57:18 Mike Foster, Representative, Wheatland Memorial Hospital and all Catholic hospitals in Montana

01:59:36 Break

02:17:22 Reconvene

Extension Service:

02:17:46 Doug Steele, Vice Provost, Extension Service, MSU

02:30:07 Butch Wieden, Director, The Fire School and Statewide Firefighters

02:33:17 Jeff Jacobsen, Director, Montana Agricultural
Experiment Station (MAES)

EXHIBIT(jeh16a05)

02:55:10 Mr. Gamble

Public Comments:

02:58:44 Dave Kelsey, Farmer/Rancher in Malta, Board Member,
Southern Ag Research Advisory Committee
03:06:43 Nancy Meili, MSU Extension Service
03:10:26 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)
03:12:01 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau
03:15:37 Cassie Putnam, Senior Ambassador, Lewis and Clark
County 4H Program
03:18:44 Don Herzog, Farmer and President, Montana Pork Users
Association
03:23:12 Kurt Kammerzell, Advisory Council Member, MAES
03:28:18 Bill Jones, Rancher, Harlowton
03:29:23 Bruce Sampson, Chairman, Montana Hog Marketing
Association
03:33:16 Eli Hofer, Hutterite Colony
03:34:30 Chris Hindoi, Insurance Agent, Hub Insurance
03:35:07 Lance Junnaman, Advisory Council Member, MAES
03:35:52 Bruce Charles, Volunteer Fire Chief, Mineral County
03:38:44 Shawn "Tater" Erickson, Supporter, Extension Service
03:40:33 Monty Lesh, Advisory Council Member, MAES
03:42:16 Dan Lake, Farmer, Ronan
03:43:56 Leonard Lundby, Firefighter, Farmer, 4H Leader, and
Representative, Montana Fire Alliance
03:45:13 Tyler Preston-Townsend, Student, MSU-Bozeman

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

03:46:41 Sen. Barrett
03:47:28 Mr. Sexton (MSU-B)

03:50:20 Chairman Villa
03:51:59 Rep. Glaser
03:52:06 Chairman Villa
03:52:57 Rep. Glaser
03:53:04 Chairman Villa
03:53:11 Rep. Glaser
03:53:16 Chairman Villa

ADJOURNMENT

03:53:33 Adjournment

SHIRLEY CHOVANAK, Secretary

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